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SUBJECT: INMARSAT CONFERENCE INSTRUCTIONS

IN REVIEWING USDEL INSTRUCTIONS AS INCORPORATED IN CIRCULAR 175 MEMORANDUM APPROVED FEBRUARY 6 (STATE 33113) IT SEEMS TO ME THAT THERE IS AN ELEMENT OF CONFLICT BETWEEN THE INSTRUCTION REGARDING AERONAUTICAL MOBILE REQUIREMENTS ON PAGES 7-9 AND THE INSTRUCTION ON TRANSITIONAL ARRANGEMENTS ON PAGE 13. THE RESOLUTION ON AERONAUTICAL REQUIREMENTS WHICH WE ARE TO INTRODUCE, AND WHICH I UNDERSTAND IS AN IMPORTANT PART OF THE OVERALL /USDEL INSTRUCTIONS, CONTEMPLATES INTERNATIONAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR STUDY OF AN AERONAUTICAL CAPABILITY IN INMARSAT TO BE MADE BEFORE THE AGREEMENT COMES INTO FORCE AND TO BE REPORTED TO THE FIRST COUNCIL MEETING. USDEL BELIEVES THIS WOULD BE PRIMARILY A GOVERNMENTAL RESPONSIBILITY (AS OPPOSED TO AN INDUSTRY RESPONSIBILITY) OR WOULD AT LEAST INVOLVE A SUBSTANTIAL DEGREE OF GOVERNMENT RESPONSIBILITY. THE INSTRUCTION ON TRANSITIONAL ARRANGEMENTS, ON THE OTHER HAND CONTEMPLATES THAT INTERIM ACTIVITIES BEFORE THE AGREEMENT COMES INTO FORCE WOULD HAVE TO BE FUNDED

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FROM INDUSTRY SOURCES. THIS INSTRUCTION AND THE TRADI-

TIONAL FORMAL INSTRUCTION FROM ASSISTANT SECRETARY
LEWIS OF JANUARY 27 BAR ANY COMMITMENT TO FUNDING OR
TO FURTHER MEETINRSAEI A LIKE WITH-
OUT SPECIFIC AUTHORIZATION BY THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE.
IT SEEMS TO ME THAT, IF WE ARE SUCCESSFUL IN FLOATING
OUR RESOLUTION ON AERONAUTICAL REQUIREMENTS, THIS WILL
ALMOST CERTAINLY INVOLVE ARRANGEMENTS FOR MEETINGS
(A WORKING GRMUP OR THE LIKE), AND VERY PROBABLY FUND-
ING FOR SUCH MEETINGS AND THE STUDY EFFORT PROPOSED IN
ALL OF WHICH THE USG WILL HAVE TO PARTICIPATE. HENCE
IT SEEMS LIKELY THAT SE FURTHER INSTRUCTION OR
AUTHORIZATION TO ALLOW USDEL TO AGREE TO FURTHER
MEETINGS AND/OR FUNDING OF SUCH ACTIVITIES AND STUDY
MAY BECOME NECESSARY BY THE END OF THE SECOND WEEK OF
THIS CONFERENCE. WE SUGGEST THE DEPARTMENT MAY WISH
TO CONSIDER THIS PROBLEM WITH OTP AND ANY OTHER
INTERESTED AGENCIES.

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